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1. According to an order issued by the Kwangtung Military District on 17 September 1950, all commercial ships sailing between Chiangmen (113-06, 22-34) and Hong Kong, and the Chiangmen-Chanchiang (109-19, 22-54)-Chiungchou (110-21, 20-20) line will be placed under the command of the Chiangmen Bureau of Navigation. The chief of this bureau is WU Tzu-pin (吳子彬). There is a convoy committee under the bureau which is responsible for the armed convoy of commercial ships.
2. The ships sailing between Chiangmen and Hong Kong are the KUO HUA (國華), one 300-ton ship and a cargo ship of 100 tons. Plying the Chiangmen-Chiungchou line are the YUEH FEI (岳飛), HAI NAN, and HUNG FA (鴻發), all 200-ton ships with a speed of nine knots per hour. There are also twenty 100-ton motor junks on this line.
3. Ships sailing on the Chanchiang-Chiungchou line are the TUNG LI (東利), FU HUA (福華), YUNG FU (永福), AI CHI (愛妻), CHIN HSING (金星), HAI HUA (海華), TAI NING (太平), T'AI P'ING (太平), SHAN CHAO LUNG (山早龍), CHIAO YUN (曉雲), HSIAO SHAN (孝山), LIU CHENG (六成), and CH'ENG KUNG (成功). These ships range from 250 to 350 tons. As of 17 September, all were anchored in the Yangchiang (111-53, 21-52) area under the command of the Canton Navigation Bureau.
4. On 12 October, the SHENG SE (生財) of the Min Sheng Company was burned and completely ruined by a fire which was believed to have started by smoldering embers in the galley. On 13 October, the landing craft WU CHIAO (吳朝) and KAN CHIANG (干江) of the Min Sheng Company were under repair in Shanghai. The last of the Min Sheng Company's ships in Hong Kong, the MIN PEN (民恩), left port on 13 October.
5. As of 13 October, the routes used by the East China Inland River Administration, which was established on 1 October, included the following: Tungli (120-43, 31-10)-Wuhsi (120-18, 31-55); Tungli-Shanghai; Chiangyin (120-16, 31-55)-Suchou (120-37, 31-19); Chenchiang (119-28, 32-12)-Yangchou (119-27, 32-24); Chenchiang-Husiu (118-59, 31-51); Chenchiang-Lukou (118-48, 31-44); and Shach'i (沙磧)-Shanghai.

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